



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Arrests Made in Large Gang Fight**

**SANTA BARBARA, CA – July 15, 2013**

On July 13, 2013, at 3:04 A.M., Santa Barbara Police officers responded to the 200 block of Cottage Grove on a call of a fight in progress. Some officers responded directly to the scene. Other officers detained several subjects scattered in the vicinity who showed signs of being involved in a fight. Officers at the scene located four people who had received stab wounds: two males and two females. Officers called for immediate medical emergency response. Two of the injured males and one female were transported to Cottage Hospital for treatment. Of these, one male and one female were admitted for treatment. Currently, these two victims are in stable medical condition.

Detectives responded to coordinate the investigation. Substantial effort was made to interview witnesses and locate evidence. As a result, five suspects have been arrested in connection with this case. The suspects are three males and two females. Their ages range from 20-23 years of age. All five suspects have been charged with attempted homicide, and the allegation that this crime was committed in furtherance of a criminal street gang. Detectives say this case is gang related. At this point in the investigation, the suspects' names and photos are being withheld.

**Anyone with additional information on this case is urged to contact Detective Ahrens at 805-897-2348.**

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